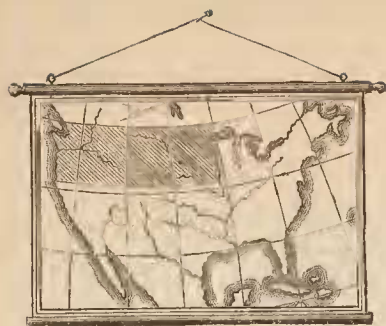




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Dear Dr. Gray,

The package has come and also the specimens of *Pedicularis* which somehow went astray, probably to Wilmington North Carolina. I am very much obliged for the specimens and the naming. One of our troubles in getting plants from Cusick, Howell and others is, that we are apt to consider that they have been named at Cambridge and thus rely upon the labels being correct; indeed we have not the ability to make them so if wrong because we have not access to authentic specimens or to original descriptions. Thus I could make nothing but "hash" out of the specimens purporting to be *E. nanus*, *E. ochroleucus* var: n. sp. I also wish heartily that you had had these long ago.

The *Pedicularis* has the long calyx teeth but they are crenate while those of *Scirpus* collecting are not. The teeth of the calyx fail as "good" character. It would seem as if *P. pudica* must include *P. scopulorum* as a variety, *Scirpus*'s specimens being intermediate.

I fully supposed you had Brandegee's No. 89 coll 1882 (Oregon



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Solidago specimens from the Collector or Mr. Redfield. I was so informed and also that you considered it a var. of *S. odora*. ~~Last year~~ ^{In 1882} I had no control over Brandegee's Collection, as they belonged to him. In 1883 they were the property of the Survey and I am distributing them as such.

I have never seen anything wild for name for that matter like the *Solidago integrifolia*?

I have an impression that somewhere there should be another specimen of that *Balsamorhiza*. If it turns up I will put it aside for you.

It is pleasant to hear of your getting on so well with the printer.

Yours truly,
Wm. M. Canby